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Subject: RE: CDPH Media inquiry re: air testing, General Iron

Thanks, James. I'll be back in touch ASAP.

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From: James Scalzitti <James.Scalzitti@cityofchicago.org>
Sent: Wednesday, September 22, 2021 10:13 AM
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Subject: CDPH Media inquiry re: air testing, General Iron

Hi Ronna,

CDPH today received an inquiry from a Chicago Sun-Times reporter about air testing on the Southeast Side around the RMG Southside Recycling/General Iron site.

We have some brief bullet points we could offer in reply, but as I believe the same reporter has contacted EPA, we want to see if you think this reply sounds right and/or if you'd like to coordinate some response to the reporter.

Thanks. Let me know if you need any additional information.

CDPH is using the health impact assessment framework to analyze existing data.

The following work is in progress:

- EPA is analyzing air quality data they collect through their monitors. They will produce a report for CDPH that compares air quality on the Southeast Side to other areas of Chicago.
- CDPH has retained an independent consultant that is assisting us to further model and analyze environmental impacts of the RMG-owned operations on the Southeast Side property.
- Using the health impact assessment framework, CDPH will evaluate this data - as well as other information related to health and quality-of-life considerations - to evaluate RMG's permit application.

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